

**Lamoine Conservation Commission**  
**Town of Lamoine**  
**606 Douglas Highway**  
**Lamoine, ME 04605**

**Minutes of the Meeting of December 8, 2010 (DRAFT)**

The meeting started at 7:02 p.m.

Commission Members Present: Bob Pulver (Chair), Fred Stocking (Secretary), Carol Korty, Annie Crisafulli (alternate) and Nancy Pochan (alternate); Absent: Amy Morley, David Schick

1. Review of minutes of the November 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting: Minutes of the November 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting were considered without reading and approved 5 in favor and 0 opposed with minor corrections.

2. Lamoine Conservation Award: The LCC divided up the chores: **Bob** and **Carol** will interview the nominee, **Fred** will write up the presentation piece. We will not aim for an announcement in the January Lamoine Quarterly, but will instead put a piece in the April issue, after Town Meeting on March 17<sup>th</sup>. Bob will take care of getting the plaque and frame.

3. Land Conservation Fund: The LCC decided to seek another \$1,000.00 contribution to the Land Conservation Fund. **David** will attend the Budget Committee meeting to support the request.

4. Frenchman Bay Stakeholders Group: Bob and Carol are trying to attend the meetings, which are generally held during the day on weekdays at Maine Coast Heritage Trust's offices in Somesville. A tentative decision has been made to try to be effective throughout the entire watershed of the Bay, but currently there is no action plan.

5. Possible Future LCC Programs: Bob reviewed the Bag It CD, and he thinks it's OK, but is not sure it would work as a program. **Bob** agreed to follow up with the Union of Concerned Scientists with respect to their offer of a speaker on climate change.

6. Cluster Housing: Fred and Carol each did a bit of "show and tell" on cluster housing. There was a wide-ranging discussion of what cluster housing is and how it might be relevant to Lamoine's needs. Fred distinguished between cluster housing and a planned village center, like that proposed in Trenton's Comprehensive Plan.

7. Open Space Inventory and Report: **Fred** presented a draft Open Space Vision and a proposed table of Contents for an LCC Open Space Report (both attached). The LCC was generally supportive of the Open Space Vision and agreed to continue working on this project in future months.

8. GET WET!: **Carol** hopes to do the program in February, but has so far been unsuccessful in getting ahold of John Peckenham of the Mitchell Center to firm up a date.

9. Access to Shore: This was passed as Amy was not present.

10.Other concerns: **Annie** noted that many folks walk their dogs at Marlboro Beach and don't clean up after their dogs. There mussels and worms in the area that might be harvested in the area and pollution of the Marlboro Beach is not a good thing. Annie will continue to explore ways of addressing this problem.

**Carol** noted that the MDI Biolab has concluded that growing eelgrass in the classroom is not as effective as growing it in outdoor tanks. MDI Biolab will work with Chris James of the Lamoine School to establish an outdoor tank in Spring, 2011.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Stocking  
Secretary  
Lamoine Conservation Commission

Reviewed and \_\_\_\_\_ by the Lamoine Conservation Commission on \_\_\_\_\_, 2011 by a vote of \_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_ opposed.

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Fred Stocking, Secretary

## *Open Space Vision*

*Lamoine will continue to be recognized as a place defined by its rural character and open space resources – open fields and woodlots, scenic vistas, scenic road corridors, with an abundance of wildlife and flora. People in all parts of Lamoine, in both established neighborhoods and newer subdivisions, will have convenient access to open space. Access will be provided to the ocean and Blunt's Pond for boating, fishing, hiking, and sightseeing. The park system will be maintained as a significant component of the open space system.*

*Townpeople will identify key natural resources that are inherent elements of the town's rural character. They will continue to be involved in land preservation efforts, actively learning from the success of other towns with histories of natural resource protection.*

*Additional homes and roads will be built as the community grows. At the same time, new residential development will preserve natural features; provide buffers along roads, wetlands, and streams; and incorporate meaningful pieces of open space. Connections between open space areas will be a priority in siting new development. These connections will be for both wildlife in the form of travel corridors and interconnected habitat and pedestrians (in the form of off-road trails). Some larger natural areas will be preserved to protect habitats of area-sensitive species and provide opportunities for traditional outdoor pursuits, such as hunting, snowmobiling, and hiking.*

# **Open Space Report and Inventory**

## Table of Contents

1. Introduction: Purpose
2. Context:
  - The 1996 (?) Comprehensive Plan
  - Open Space recommendations and progress since 1996
  - Changes in Lamoine since 1990
    - Population, demographics, school consolidation
3. Town Support of Open Space and Outdoor Recreation
  - The Long Range Planning Committee Questionnaire (2006?) and the Establishment of the Town's Land Conservation Fund
  - Establishment of the Lamoine Conservation Committee and The Parks Commission
  - Roadside and Shore Clean-up
  - Expansion of Bloomfield Park at Blunt's Pond
  - Appreciation of the Night Sky
4. Open Space Inventory
  - Beginning with Habitat open space data
  - The State Park
  - Lamoine Town Parks
  - Trails
    - Snowmobile Trails and the Snowmobile Club
    - Hiking Trails
      - Coleman Woods, Simon Trail, Ridge Trail, School trail
  - The School Playground and recreational opportunities for children; the lack of Bicycle paths
5. The Marine Environment Surrounding Lamoine: Resource protection for environmental and economic health
  - The Shellfish Conservation Ordinance
  - The Frenchman Bay Stakeholders meetings and Eelgrass Restoration Project
6. An Open Space Vision for Lamoine
7. Next Steps for Open Space in Lamoine